

# EPA DIESEL RETROFIT PROGRAM

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# Diesel Emission Background

- Diesel engine emissions are significant contributors to the mobile source inventory:
  - ~58 percent of NOx inventory
  - ~89 percent of PM inventory
- Marine diesel engines:
  - Land diesels are the major contributors
  - However, marine engine emissions are localized:
    - Approximate NOx on a summer day from Marine diesels:
      - San Diego 17%
      - San Francisco 12%
      - Beaumont-Port Arthur 15%



# Diesel Emission Background

- Serious health effects
  - Air Toxic
  - Respiratory effects
    - Especially children and elderly
- Likely Human carcinogen
- SCAQMD Study attributes 70% of all cancer deaths from exposure to air toxics to diesel PM emissions

## Efforts to Reduce Diesel Emissions

- Current and Future Programs
  - Certification Programs
  - SEA Testing
  - Urban Bus Retrofit Program
  - 2004 heavy duty on-highway rule
  - 2007 heavy duty on-highway rule and diesel fuel requirements
  - Marine CI rule (see www.epa.gov/otaq/marine.htm):
    - Engines similar to land-based non-road or locomotive
    - standards take effect between 2004 and 2007
    - "off-cycle" requirements
  - New in-use diesel compliance and testing programs



# Why a Voluntary Retrofit Program?

- Rules won't be fully effective for years (~2030)
  - Diesel engines last and can be rebuilt
  - Compliance programs can't make existing engines cleaner
- Retrofit technologies are advancing quickly:
  - Expansion of the Urban Bus Retrofit Program
  - Technologies for new rules are available today
  - Technologies are becoming more cost effective
- Voluntary element allows technology to be used today
  - Building on other EPA Voluntary Measures
  - Market for technology seems ready



## Voluntary Retrofit Overview

- EPA announced the program at the March 2000 Corning Retrofit Workshop
  - We initiated a goal of 10,000 planned installations by March 2001
  - Initial focus on 3 or 4 cities with pilot programs
  - Provide support to any other city or retrofit project
- Applies to any diesel engines
  - on-highway, non-road, marine, locomotive
  - certified or pre-certified
- Creates a process for verifying technology
  - Partnerships with NESCAUM and EPA's ORD/ETV program
- Provides incentives
  - SIP credits
  - Potential for trading/offset credits



## What is a Retrofit?

#### According to Webster:

 To furnish or provide with new equipment or parts unavailable at the time of original manufacturer or construction

#### Some possible options or activities:

- Addition of new/improved after-treatment equipment
- Upgrading a certified engine to a cleaner certified configuration
- Upgrading an uncertified engine to a cleaner "certified-like" configuration
- Conversion of any engine to run on a cleaner fuel
- Early replacement of older engines with newer/cleaner engines
- Use of cleaner fuel and/or emission reducing fuel additive
- Others...



# Building the Retrofit Program

- EPA is establishing strong partnerships:
  - Regional EPA offices
  - State and local agencies
  - Industry (Retrofit, Engine, and Vehicle/Equipment Manufacturers)
  - Environmental organizations
  - Fleet owners
- We will pool our resources and expertise to:
  - Allow fleet owners to select appropriate technologies and conduct appropriate testing
  - Give air quality planners confidence in determining SIP credits
  - Provide a path to verify retrofit technology
  - Identify potential funding sources for retrofit projects
- Final Product: Retrofit Website
  - Available mid July, 2000



## The Voluntary Retrofit Website

- Site will be a tool for creating retrofit projects
  - Program guidelines
  - Application forms
  - Verified technologies
  - Emissions reduction calculator
  - Example programs
  - Contacts
  - Potential funding sources
- In addition to site:
  - We will working closely with pilot projects
  - Provide technical support



## **Emission Reductions Estimate**

#### Assumptions about the Navy fleet:

Pre-certified NOx level: 7.6 g/bhp-hr

Pre-certified PM level: .50 g/bhp-hr

21 gal/hr or 146 lbs/hr Typical fuel consumption:

– Number of vessels: 4000

– Average service remaining: 10 years

	<u>Catalyst (20%)</u>	<u>Trap (80%)</u> *	NOx Tech (25%)
PM (tons)	2,170	8,684	22

NOx (tons) 8,560 42,804

Assumes use of low sulfur diesel fuel which may provide a nominal NOx reduction of 5%



### Additional Information

- EPA Retrofit website coming soon!
  - http://www.epa.gov/retrofit
- Voluntary measures website
  - http://epa.gov/oms/transp/traqvolm.htm
- Marine CI Rulemaking
  - http://epa.gov/otaq/marine.htm



## Additional Information

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